# Oneida County Solid Waste and Buildings & Grounds Meeting Monday, January 13, 2014 9:00 a.m. Oneida County Courthouse, Committee Room #1 1 S. Oneida Avenue Rhinelander, WI 54501

Members present: Billy Fried - Chairman, Jack Sorensen, Jack Martinson, Scott Holewinski, Greg Oettinger

**Department staff:** Freeman Bennett – Highway Commissioner/Solid Waste Director, Brian Dutcher – Solid Waste Supervisor, Luann Brunette – Facilities Director, Bruce Stefonek – Asst. Facilities Director

**Others present:** Margie Sorenson – Finance Director, Jonathan Anderson – Media, Jennifer Lueneburg – recording secretary

#### Call to order:

Chairman Fried called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

#### **Approve Agenda:**

Motion by Sorensen to approve today's agenda. Second by Martinson. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.

# Approve minutes from December 16, 2013 committee meeting:

Motion by Martinson to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2013 committee meeting. Second by Sorensen. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.

## **Future of recycling at Oneida County Solid Waste:**

Bennett states he was previously asked to check into the cost of the current process versus using Eagle Waste for recyclables. Bennett provided a handout, breaking down the numbers for each option. Bennett determined the net profit for processing recyclables at the Solid Waste site is \$42.29 per ton and the net profit for selling recyclables to Eagle Waste would be -\$2.25 per ton so the obvious choice is staying with the current process at the Solid Waste site. Bennett notes the Solid Waste department is realizing good profits on its different projects. Brief discussion held on the figures and difficulty of a private sector business taking on these operations for the county due to the start-up costs. Discussion held on inmates employed at the Solid Waste site.

# Recycling contract for three townships:

The townships of Corning and Birch and the city of Tomahawk want to sign contracts to bring their recycling to the Oneida County Solid Waste site. Bennett states the department accepts other township's recycling, charges them \$195 per container and they pick up the containers only when full. Bennett asked that this committee approve accepting a contract with these townships. Motion by Sorensen, moving to approve these three contracts. Second by Holewinski. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.

# Purchase of used one-ton truck from Highway Department:

Bennett states they put quite a few miles on their patch trucks and therefore currently use their end loader to help sand the hill at the Solid Waste site. Using the end loader is difficult for sanding and ties up the end loader for other projects it's needed for. Bennett proposed to the Public Works committee that the Highway Department sell their one ton truck to the Solid Waste Department, to be used for sanding and any other project as needed. The Public Works Committee agreed to sell the truck to Solid Waste for \$1.00. Motion by Sorensen to approve the (Solid Waste Department's) purchase of the one ton (truck) for a dollar. Second by Martinson. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.

### Solid Waste radio system update:

Bennett states at the May 6, 2013 meeting, this committee discussed the Solid Waste radio system and its poor reception. At that meeting, the committee approved putting a better radio system in, with costs not to exceed \$4,800.00. Bennett states they have moved forward with the better radio system and it works great. When the final quote was received, costs came in at \$4,890.86. In order to bring the cost in below the approved amount, they cut out one hand held radio that was supposed to be used by Dutcher. Cutting out one hand held radio reduced the costs by \$395.00 thus the cost of the radio system update then came in at \$4,495.86.

# Resolution - Solid Waste/Highway Administration restructuring:

Bennett states the Highway Department Office Manager has now given her notice of retirement. Bennett would like to move the Highway Department time keeper/secretary into this vacant position with a different job description and pay scale. Bennett would also like to take the Solid Waste Account Tech, whose position is currently at 60%, and put her on at 100% by doing accounting for both the Highway and Solid Waste Departments. Bennett would like to get these suggestions in place prior to the current office manager retiring. The new 100% Account Tech position should be 60% Highway and 40% Solid Waste. Motion by Martinson to approve the Solid Waste/Highway Department administration reconstruction. Second by Sorensen. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.

# Solid Waste - bills and vouchers, blanket purchase orders:

Brief discussion held. Motion by Holewinski to approve the bills and vouchers as presented. Second by Sorensen. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.

#### **Closed session:**

Motion by Holewinski and seconded by Martinson to adjourn into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats., "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which this body has jurisdiction or responsibility." (Topics: employee promotion and commissioner compensation)

Roll call vote: Oettinger, Holewinski, Martinson, Sorensen, Fried

Staff present during closed session: Margie Sorenson, Jenni Lueneburg, Freeman Bennett, Brian Dutcher

## Return to open session:

Motion by Holewinski to return to open session at 10:05 a.m. Second by Sorensen. Roll call vote taken with all voting in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Announcements from closed session: No motions or decisions made in closed session.

#### **Closed session:**

Motion by Martinson and seconded by Sorensen to adjourn into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(d), Wis. Stats., "Considering strategy for crime detection or prevention" (Topic: courthouse security), and Section 19.85 (1)(e), "Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session". (Topic: law enforcement center roof warranty)

Roll call vote: Oettinger, Holewinski, Martinson, Sorensen, Fried

**Staff present during closed session:** Luann Brunette, Bruce Stefonek, Jenni Lueneburg **Return to open session:** 

Motion by Sorensen to return to open session at 10:20 a.m. Second by Martinson. Roll call vote taken with all voting in the affirmative. Motion carried.

### Announcements from closed session:

Motion by Fried to allow Brunette to extend ballistic barrier for witness stand (in First Floor Courtroom), not to exceed \$500.00. Second by Sorensen. Roll call vote taken; Oettinger – Aye, Holewinski – Aye, Martinson – Aye, Sorensen – Aye, Fried – Aye. Motion carried.

# Buildings & Grounds – bills and vouchers, blanket purchase orders, line item transfers:

Brief discussion held. Motion by Holewinski to approve the bills and vouchers as presented. Second by Martinson. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried.

# Health and Aging parking expansion cost update:

Brunette provided handout to committee on project. Current expenditures on this project are \$50,178.01, therefore \$30,821.99 left of \$81,000.00 budget. Department will be getting bids for asphalt in the spring.

## **Veteran Service relocation update:**

Veteran's Services began moving into the new space on January 9, 2014 and are now all moved in. The project costs (without carpet updates) are \$10,704.00. Brunette states they were going to replace the carpet in the Medical Examiner section but decided not to and cleaned carpet instead. The anticipated total project costs are \$11,300.00. They will also be working on changes to signage.

#### **Public comment:**

None

#### Items for next agenda:

Projects as listed above

# Scheduled future meeting date(s):

February 17, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

#### **Adjournment:**

Motion by Sorensen to adjourn meeting. Second by Fried. All members present voting 'Aye'. Motion carried. Adjourn at 10:33 a.m.

Rilly Fried

Committee Chairman

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**Committee Secretary**